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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Christian Benz, et al.

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For: APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATIC MEASUREMENT OF MEASURING FIELDS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response is filed in response to an outstanding Office Action in connection with the above-referenced application. The Office Action was initially mailed on March 13, 2002. A substitute Office Action was forwarded by facsimile by Examiner Hess on April 30, 2002, responsive to applicants' inquiries concerning the basis for rejection of claim 5. The deadline for response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2002 was not reset in connection with the Examiner's facsimile transmission of April 30, 2002. Accordingly, a Petition and Fee for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)1 (with payment) is submitted concurrently herewith. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Please amend the application as set forth hereinbelow.

I. AMENDMENTS

In the Claims

Please amend independent claim 1 to read as follows:

1 (Twice amended). A device for the automatic photoelectric measurement of measuring fields contained on an original, the device comprising:
a housing having an insertion opening for the original;

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